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#### HEROINE OF THE YEAR'S MOST NOTABLE EXPLORING FEAT: MRS. ROSITA FORBES.

Everyone in social and scientific circles is talking about Mrs. Rosita Forbes's wonderful trip through the Libyan Desert to Kufra, and thence through uncharted country to Siwa. When she was on her journey Mrs. Forbes passed as an Arab woman, calling herself the

Sitt Khadija. A series of articles by Mrs. Forbes is to be published in "The Illustrated London News" almost at once. At the same time that journal will reproduce for the first time the best of her photographs.—[Photograph by Mendosa Galleries.]



By KEBLE HOWARD ("Chicot,")

Elusiveness of Good Form.

A gentleman named Father Degen has been delivering a lecture at a place called Coalville, on the difficult subject of good and bad form.

I have not the honour of knowing who Father Degen may be, or of where Coalville is, but I very much fear that the Father, all unwittingly, led his hearers slightly astray.

"The gospel of good form," he said, "based as it is on conventions rather than upon ethics, should not be regarded as so much insincere, superficial humbug. It helps to chain up the 'brute'

within us, which, if let loose entirely, would make men behave like bears or dogs. The conventions of good breeding serve to make life roll along more smoothly."

Apply all that to good manners and the Father is as right as ninepence. But there is a world of difference between good manners and good form. Manners may be, to some extent, conventional, but good form is based wholly and solely on instinct. You can teach a boy good manners. You can teach him to take off his cap when he meets a lady, to open a door, to say "Yes, please," and "No, thank you" (I believe boys are still taught these things in the Outer Hebrides). you will never teach him good form. That is either in his blood or it is not. He may get a good imitation of it kicked into him at school, but the worst of it is that imitations are not proof against rough usage.

I travelled in the A Child of train a few days Nature. ago with one of the most famous pugilists in the world. I did not know him, or he me, but I recognised him from his portraits, and was greatly interested to observe him at close quarters. The newspapers had somehow or other given me quite a wrong impression of the man's personality. There was nothing of the "bruiser" about him. Full-face, you would have taken him for a quite usual type of person; it was the profile that revealed the fighter.

He was very quietly dressed, and his conversation and manners were as quiet as his clothes. Everybody knew who he was, but I never saw a man less conscious of observation. There was not the slightest attempt to swagger or put on side. He just talked quietly to a friend, who happened to be sitting near me, of the things in which you would expect him to be interested—racing, motor-cars, cards, and so forth.

His only refreshment was a cup of tea, and he did not smoke. He looked the picture of health. His

features were not mobile, but the eyes were full of intelligence, and humour, and kindliness. Here was the embodiment of good form as distinct from any straining after mere manners.



AS SHE WENT TO BE RECEIVED BY THE KING: MRS. ROSITA FORBES ARRIVING AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

Mrs. Rosita Forbes, whose wonderful journey through the Libyan Desert has created so much interest in scientific as well as social circles, had the honour of being received by the King and Queen last week, and their Majesties were much interested in the details of her amazing journey. The first photographs of her trip to Kufra and the unknown districts she visited will be published in "The Illustrated London News," with a most interesting series of articles from her pen. She is lecturing at the Central Asia Society on the 18th; at the Royal Geographical Society on the 23rd; and at the Æolian Hall on June 2.—[Photograph by Alfieri.]

Why Horses
Race.

A writer in a daily newspaper has been at pains to point out the real reason for the continuance of horse-racing. "It is not carried on," he says, "merely to provide a popular spectacle and a medium for speculative transactions. It is an essential factor in the conduct of an important industry, peculiarly associated with this country—that of horse-breeding. Breeding is a process of careful selection, in which racing is an indispensable test. What we call our 'classic' races provide the highest form of test for the finest products of our

stables. Those tests must go on."
The moral of all of which is that, coal strike or no coal strike, it is a shame to cancel race-meetings.

It has not, apparently, occurred to gentlemen interested in race-meetings, as apart from gentlemen interested in the breeding of horses, that the presence of a crowd of spectators is not the best thing in the world for the horses who are to be tested. The majority of horses, I imagine, would do themselves more justice if there were no crowd at all. If race-meetings are held for a pure and noble cause, how much purer and nobler that cause if the public were not told when and where the tests would take place! However, not being a kill-joy, I won't press the argument any further.

The Eternal Riddle. What is that which everybody loathes, everybody agrees should be abolished, yet without which everybody is miserable?

There's a May-day riddle for you. The answer is, Work. At this very moment you are looking forward to your annual holiday, just as you look forward to it as surely as each spring comes round. Yet, when the holiday arrives, you are dissatisfied. Something is the matter. You are not as happy as you meant to be. The sun shines, and the wayes roll, and yet you are bored.

Why? Because you are not at work. Man cannot live without work. When a man who has worked hard all his life suddenly gives upwork and retires, what happens? Frequently he dies of sheer boredom. Work may be a curse, but we 've got to do it because we were born to work. The people who want to abolish work might as well talk of abolishing breathing. If you don't breathe, you die; if you don't work, you die.

This is not pessimism—it is optimism, a much finer thing, whatever the cheap cynics may tell you. The majority of mankind is com-

pelled to work, so they may as well look at the bright side of it.

Overwork is another matter. Overwork is a disease, even more fatal than idleness. For the moment, therefore, I shall stop.

## "The Sketch" at Hurlingham: Be-Furred Spectators.



WITH MRS. BARRIE: LADY SHOLTO DOUGLAS.



WATCHING THE AMERICAN POLO TEAM: THE HON. MRS.
ROBERT BRAND AND FRIENDS.



WELL WRAPPED UP: LADY BLANDFORD WATCHING
THE LAWN-TENNIS.

In spite of the cold snap and wet days we had last week, Society wrapped itself up in furs and gathered at Hurlingham to watch the lawn-tennis and the polo there. Lady Sholto Douglas, who is seen on our page with a South African friend, Mrs. Barrie, is a recent bride. She was formerly Mrs. Barnard-Mosselmans, and



INTERESTED SPECTATORS: MISS HILDA MACKENZIE

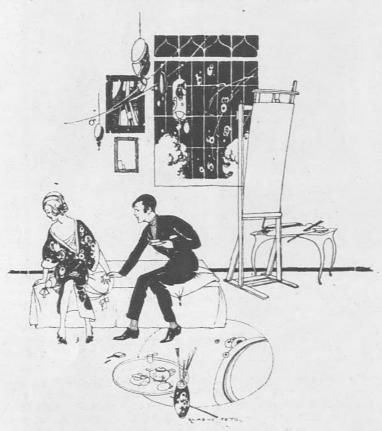
AND MRS. POLLITT.

married Lord Sholto Douglas the other day. The Hon. Mrs. Robert Brand is Lady Astor's sister, and the wife of Lord Hampden's brother; while Lady Blandford is the beautiful daughter-in-law of the Duchess of Marlborough. Miss Hilda Mackenzie, who is a keen lawn-tennis player, is the younger sister of Lady Burstall.

Photographs by Alfieri.

# More About Mariegold Mariegold

A WEEK-END in Sussex has brought Mariegold back to town full of local enthusiasms. "West Sussex, of course," she says with some of the inexplicable scorn with which the West surveys the East over all large and small areas of the world—Europe towards Asia, Grosvenor Square towards Bloomsbury, beyond



 Angela's time is now fully occupied. She has become an artist's model. She enjoys the sittings very much...

which is—nowhere. West Sussex, I gather from Mariegold, plays the game gaily, and talks of East Sussex as though it were all Brighton and the Regent's Pavilion.

Petworth is Mariegold's pet place; and her further word-wangle is that nobody ought to be asked to that lovely house who is not Petworthy; not because of the rooms, which, when half-a-dozen doors are open, make an unending gallery, hung with Turners and other treasures; nor because of the Park, surrounded by nearly the longest wall in England, though the trees are now at their perfection; but because the host and hostess know how to make their house so attractive to their friends. Lady Leconfield is back from her stay in the South of France, very sunburnt, which Mariegold says is partly due to her height—" If you were a foot nearer to the fire now, you would know!" What is certain is that if you are six feet high, you have a different eye-line for pictures, and that is a reassuring thought for the hostess when squat visitors have to crane up to look their levellest at an old Earl of Egremont. That was the title borne by Lord Leconfield's grandfather. But, for some reason, at which only guesses are made even in the immediate family, the third and last Lord Egremont did not marry the lady who was the acknowledged mistress of Petworth, and the mother of his children. His eldest son, therefore, was given the Barony of Leconfield-a rather fascinating name, Mariegold thinks, but she says that Lady Leconfield, while in France, often wanted to be an Egremont again, just for the pronouncing convenience of her French friends.

From the very top windows of Petworth, Mariegold reports, you can see Parham when the leaves are not fully out, though Parham House is miles away. Everybody round about is sorry that Parham must be sold. Hilaire Belloc used some very strong language about it when he dropped in to tea there one afternoon. He thought the sales of ancient properties by their hereditary owners to the New Rich was making of paradise (the two places have the "par" in common, any way) an ante-chamber of hell. Well, but the New Rich (and how nice some of them are, and their boys and their girls, too!)

are not the only buyers, bless them! Earl Beatty, for instance, had a good look at Parham before he went to Bagshot; and a certain peer's son has been down several times, hoping to loosen the well-filled parental purse. But now it passes into the agent's hands. It is even advertised. Perhaps the idea of its change of ownership is the more unwelcome to the neighbourhood because Lady Zouche is so perfect and untiring a châtelaine, and her son and heir a youth with a large inheritance of perfect Curzon manners.

And Arundel, of course, can be seen from Parham-the woods, of Arundel, though not the actual walls of the Castle. The Duchess of Norfolk-like Lady Zouche, a peeress in her own right-finds the Castle a little lonely, and likes travel; but the young Duke, the very young Duke, delights in the place, and, from the pinnacles of its walls, eyes the country round with full knowledge and pleasure of his possessions. Arundel used to be thought of, if not as a sleepy hollow, at least as a sleepy altitude. But Mariegold says: "See what it has done in its sleep! The late Duke became the busiest and best Postmaster-General. His uncle, Lord Lyons—who spent all his spare time there, and did not marry because he said he could never love his own children, if he had any, so well as he loved his sister's-was Ambassador in Washington and Paris: a shy man, who boasted at Arundel that he had been ten years in America without once making a speech or clinking a glass. And now a son of the Castle, who changed his name from Howard to Talbot, goes to Ireland as a Vice-King; while the Castle's grandson, James Fitzalan Hope, becomes Chairman of Committees in the Commonsa sure step to the Speakership, a peerage, and a pension." So Mariegold feels that she has been in the hub of the universe. Butthere is a "but" even in this shining romance—" James Hope lives now, you know, at Heron's Ghyll—in East Sussex!"

Town seems disproportionally dull — everybody is putting off everything. The visiting Americans are wondering where our great entertainers are hiding right away. Mariegold sympathises, and



2. . . And her evenings are always gay.

quite refuses to smile at the take-in played off by a young wag on "one of them"—as the rather disavowing phrase goes. "One of them" was told that the Unknown Warrior's widow wanted to make her acquaintance, and she, all credulous hospitality, offered to send out cards for a party to meet the pathetic creature!

Mariegold, at tea with "one of them," met the very much alive Mr. Sawbridge, the manager of the American Polo Team. He was a little bit worried. What with rats in the stables and sleet in the air, he was having a strenuous time to bring his players up to the scratch, accustomed as they are to the arid Long Island fields. Their horses are more at home, however, for they were originally taken by the English players to America, where they were bought and kept, and they seem quite happy to be home again. They are veterans, and their meeting with fresher competitors is to be quite unusually exciting. All the world is thrilled about polo at the moment.

Priscilla Lady Annesley is back from Rome and is letting her bijou house in Gloucester Place. The high local rates are responsible for the many houses now being let furnished. They are the reasons, quite a large round number of them, why Lord Lansdowne decided to give place to Mr. Gordon Selfridge. Lucky Vi Selfridge, to have so magnificent a jumping-off ground from maidenhood into matrimony—one, too, that was sufficiently handy (or should it be footy?) for the Oratory. A consideration when you have seven hundred guests.

Dr. Priestley—Hilaire Belloc's great-grandfather, by the way—discovered oxygen in Lansdowne House, and perhaps that's why the new tenant feels the air to be more exhilarating than that of Portman Square. Or does he get wandering whit's from the top of St. James's Street, which Disraeli said was the best air in Europe?

If only all the people who have just returned from abroad could find it so! The Duke of Connaught, at any rate, always finds himself happier in London than anywhere else, and the Indian heat he stored up has still quite a reserve to be drawn upon. Lord and Lady Dawson of Penn have left their hearts behind them in Algiers. Lady Elcho is back from Brussels; and recent runaways from Paris, who include Lady Ribblesdale, Lady Curzon of Kedleston, and Lady Cowdray (who made quick tracks from town to her lovely park in Sussex—West Sussex, Mariegold insists on discriminating) report that the chef of the Hotel Chatham regards the purchase of Orpen's portrait of him by the Chantrey Trustees as the serious final clinching of the Entente Cordiale, So that's that.

Lady Anglesey has been about with the Duke of Rutland a good deal these last days, and the father's height seems to be magnified by the daughter's moderation in inches. The Duke is faithful to the morning jacket, even when, as at a formal function, he wears a top hat. Mariegold approves and compliments him on his boldness as the original innovator. "Dukes ought to lead, you know," she says artlessly,—"that's what the name means," Another innovation. The other day she saw Kyrle Bellew with shoes and stockings to match



3. She spends many merry midnights and happy sunrises . . .

her hair, and nice, too. I said that black-haired people had done that matching these many days, so there was nothing very original in that. But Mariegold says that no one who sees the artistry of Kyrle Bellew's harmony wants to talk piffle like that.

Of all the private theatricals she has seen, the very best, Mariegold says, were those arranged by the three daughters of Sir Maurice de Bunsen. But it was there that she first heard from a fellow-guest the rumour, much bruited about, of the supposed unhappiness of a young married couple to whose brilliant wedding all the world and



 And all the galleries are full of her portraits. The visitors, taking her for a wealthy patroness of art, are duly impressed.

his wife went. Mariegold, who knows them well, says that the only foundation for all the talk is that the bridegroom lit a cigar in the car that took them to their honeymoon, though the bride, Aunt Sarah asserts, sickens at the scent. Mariegold knows that the windows were wide open, that the lady begged her lord to do what he did, and that, after the first whiff, he flung the weed away. So the whole story ends in smoke.

To show how history repeats itself in gossip, Mariegold quotes from the new Life of the late Lord Bute what he wrote to a friend just after his marriage with Gwendoline Howard: "Iniquitous calumnies," he called the rumours that he was a disappointed husband, and he added: "Our happiness indeed is complete, and the terms on which we live completely affectionate and intimate. I find myself more attached to G. the longer I have the privilege of living with her." The Dowager Lady Bute, now thirty years a widow, wished the very bride now idly gossiped about a happiness equal to her own.

"Are there many people who entertain more than Lady Colefax, I wonder?" said Mariegold pensively. "She seems to give a party of some kind or other almost daily; and, indeed, she has quite raised the tone of the King's Road, Chelsea, where she lives. Instead of only seeing Bohemians, Chelsea has the privilege of beholding inhabitants of Mayfair bejewelled and befurred driving up to Argyll House in their cars. Though Lady Colefax does not by any means confine herself to what is known as 'Society'—she has a distinct penchant for celebrities of the artistic and literary world; and Augustus John, now almost conventional in his dress, is one of her visitors, not to mention Arthur Symons, the poet, and others belonging to the younger generation.

"We are living in serious times," continued Mariegold, "and, being adaptable, we become serious and high-browed in consequence. The other night I actually went to the Queen's Hall (why has it been done up in such an unbecoming shade of blue—so trying for one's complexion and frocks?) to Moiseiwitsch's recital, and came to the conclusion that there is not much merit in being high-browed if you get as much enjoyment out of it as I did listening to the young Polish pianist. He is a marvel, and not even a prolonged tour in America has been able to spoil him artistically. What finish, what restraint, and what a tone he gets out of the piano! The audience was enthusiastic in the extreme. And I saw Eugene Goossens there. He, by the way, is conducting a performance of Stravinsky's 'Sacre du Printemps' on June 7. It was given as a ballet at Drury Lane before the war."

## Murder and Madness in a Futuristic Film Thrill.



SUGGESTIVE OF EDGAR ALLAN POE: THE ABDUCTION OF JANE
IN "THE CABINET OF DR. CALIGARI."



THE FLIGHT DOWN THE CRAZY ALLEYS OF A CUBIST TOWN: CESARE THE SOMNAMBULIST, AND HIS VICTIM.



A BLOOD-CURDLING EPISODE ON ERRATIC ANGLE-ROOFS: THE ALL BUT SUCCESSFUL ABDUCTION OF JANE.

"The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" is the latest film thrill. The picture was shown recently at the Capitol Theatre, New York, and has aroused tremendous interest, not only by reason of its strange, morbidly mysterious story, but on account of its Futuristic setting. The story of how Dr. Caligari and his somnambulist slave. Cesare, who only wakens to evil

activity when roused by the Doctor, come to the little provincial town and commit various crimes, including murder and the attempted abduction of Jane, is played in strange expressionistic scenery. The houses are Cubist houses, the crazy alleys and distorted trees are genuinely Futuristic, and add to the unearthly thrills of the play.

### Swift Stabs of Horror and a Kick at the Finish.





QUITE CUBISTIC: A STREET SCENE IN "THE CABINET OF DR. CALIGARI" -- SHOWING THE WICKED DOCTOR.





THE SECRET OF THE STRANGE PICTURE-PLAY REVEALED: THE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

"The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" is a film which inflicts swift stabs of delicious horror on its audiences, and provides them with a kick at the finish as well-in the shape of a most unexpected ending. One sits entranced and thrilled by the wickedness of Werner Krauss, as of a lunatic asylum, whose hallucinations have been utilised as the Dr. Caligari, and the crimes he commits by means of his ghostly, plot of the story!

ghastly sleep-walker Cesare, who is played by Conrad Veidt; but when the epilogue is reached, one discovers that the strange story set in its weird scenery is only the disordered imaginings of an inmate

## Hard Hitting on the Hard Courts: Hurlingham "Snaps."



The standard of women's lawn-tennis has improved tremendously during the last few years, and plenty of hard hitting was seen at the Hurlingham Hard Court Tournament last week. Our page shows some | modern woman manages to combine grace and skill.

of the competitors in the Ladies' Handicap Singles, and gives photographs of different strokes in the strenuous games at which the

Photograph No. 1, by Alfieri; Nos. 2, 4, and 5, by S. and G.; and No. 3, by I.B.

## Hippodrome Peeps at the Past: Earth and Moon People.



AS MAGGIE DUGGAN IN HER PRIME: MISS MONA VIVIAN.





AS THE GREAT DAN LENO: MR. STANLEY LUPINO.



AS LIGHT O'THE MOON: MISS ANNIE CROFT;
AND MR. REGINALD SHARLAND.

The two big spectacular scenes which "The Peep Show," the new revue at the Hippodrome, provides, are the Song Shop and Down Dickens Street. In the former, old music-hall favourites come to life again in the person of Stanley Lupino, Annie Croft, and other members of the company, who cleverly conjure up the atmosphere of



AS NANCY IN THE BILL SIKES EPISODE: MISS ANNIE CROFT; AND MR. BENSON KLEVE.

the Halls of the 'nineties; while in Down Dickens Street well-known characters from the Dickens novels are pictured. Miss Annie Croft and Mr. Benson Kleve give a specially realistic version of Nancy and Bill Sikes. Our page illustrates Miss Annie Croft's make-up as Nancy, and also shows her as The Light o' the Moon.

Photographs by Stage Photo. Co.

#### THE SCHEME OF ATTACK AND DEFENCE: METHOD AND SPEED.

I has been well and truly said that polo is the game of the few, and for that reason it is not "understanded of the people." Last season, although the Hurlingham authorities made a praise-worthy attempt to educate the public taste, and no doubt succeeded to a very great extent, it is none the less true that the average person who watches the game has no idea at all as to what is the method of it, or even that there is any method at all. The uninitiated person's idea probably is that all that is necessary is for a player to hit the ball hard, gallop after it and hit it again, before anyone else can get



A WOMAN POLO-PLAYER WHO IS PLAYING AT THE TAUNTON VALE CLUB: MISS NOELA WHITING.

Miss Noela Whiting is one of the few women who play polo. She is going to play regularly this season at the Taunton Vale Club, where last summer she played in the final of the Portman Cup Tournament. Miss Whiting learnt the game in Burma, where she was handicapped at two points. She took part regularly in the station games there, and was in the winning team of several small tournaments.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

near it. Elementary though this idea is, it is, in the main, a cor-The first obrect one. ject is to hit the ballthe second to hit it in the right direction. But there is a bit more "to than this! Polo is a game in which good combined action counts quite as much as it does in, say, "Rugger" or "Soccer." The smack-and-gallop artist; who thinks that he can win a match off his own bat, and takes no notice of what the other people on his side are doing, is not only a nuisance but a hindrance. A side owning an undisciplined "raider" of this order is nine times out of ten foredoomed to defeat. Each one of the four people who are comprised in a polo team has his own particular job and his own particular place.

Polo is a game of quick attack and

counter-attack: the offensive changes to the defensive with lightninglike rapidity, and it is for this reason that the non-playing spectator very often is led to believe that it is a game in which there is no set rule of tactics. This is very far from being the case. By reason of the high speed, it is extremely difficult to draw a parallel between polo and any other ball game, yet the principles are in the main identical. In football and in polo there is the line of attack and the line of defence; and if one says that there is a certain connection between a polo No. 3 and a "Rugger" three-quarter. I think that that is as near as one can get to it. In polo no one waits; in "Rugger" some people do; in "Soccer" the halves keep the attacking forward off the ball to give the back a chance to clear, The same principle is applied in polo. When a side is attacking under either set of rules in football, the other units all lend their aid to give the man on the ball a clear run. They are up with him ready to take a pass or back him up, or charge anyone who is trying to get in his way. They in fact, "ride off" the enemy's defence so as to give the attack all the elbow-room possible.

It is the same thing where polo is concerned. In the attack, whoever is on the ball—whether it is No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, or the back—everybody contrives to give him the best possible chance of scoring.

The visitor to Hurlingham in these days, that is, since last season, is greatly aided by the numbered saddle-cloths. He was not so aided until Colonel Arthur Duff, the Secretary of Hurlingham, thought of this very sensible device.

It is difficult within the limits of a short article to tell the non-player exactly what is the meaning of what he may see, but, on broad lines, when a team is attacking he will probably see No. 1 "riding" the opposing back; that is to say, that he will be well up with him, hampering him in every possible way that he can from "clearing,"

or getting a fair smack at the ball. Let us picture No. 2 as the man on the ball in a high-speed "raid"; close up with him and riding off any enemy units who may be trying to deprive him of possession will be his own No. 1. Behind No. 2 of the attacking side will be No. 3, and behind him again, back, riding close up to the fighting line, but ready at any moment to stop and turn and get back to protect his own goal. While this is happening the spectator will see the defenders making strenuous efforts to stop the raid by hitting back-handers, crooking the attacker's stick, riding him off, etc. They will be galloping in the direction of their own goal, hotly engaged with the No. 1 and No. 2 of the attack, and trying their utmost to take the pressure off their own back.

The moment of a determined attack is always a thrilling one. It is primarily the duty of the defending No. 2 and No. 3 to protect the back; but No. 1, although he will have turned with the ball, will not, as a rule, be found as near his own citadel as his fellow-forward (No. 2) and No. 3. A No. 2 who will not lie close up is of no use to anyone.

That, very roughly, is the general scheme of attack and defence. No. I is the line of observation and attack—he corresponds to the cavalry screen of an army, whose business is to "try everywhere," or, as Napoleon put it, taler partout; No. 2 is the advance guard with a certain amount of light artillery backed by the supports (No. 3), and again backed by the heavy part of the army (back). I think that may be the best way to present a polo team to the reader who knows nothing about it.

Back is not by this reason precluded from taking a very active share in the offensive. You will frequently see him go away with the ball on a raid of his own. When he does so, No. 3 falls back in support, No. 1 and No. 2 form his flanking patrols ready to "chip in" at any moment to take the ball, ride off anyone who may try to interfere, or, in the event of the attack being stopped and a quick counter-attack developing, turn in their tracks and fight tooth and nail against the arrow-head of the enemy offensive.

It is all a game of quick cut and thrust—so quick very often that it looks a blurred and confused picture to the onlooker. But all the time



FOUR OF THE AMERICAN POLO EXPERTS: MR. H. V. COLT, MR. C. C. RUMSEY, MR. T. HITCHCOCK JUN., AND MR. EARL HOPPING.

Our photograph shows four of the American polo experts who have come over here to compete for the International Cup. Mr. H. V. Colt is the American Polo Association's representative, and is in charge of the ponies; Mr. C. C. Rumsey is the probable No. 1; Mr. Earl Hopping is a reserve; and Mr. Thomas Hitchcock jun. will play No. 2 in the international matches.—[Photograph by Rouch.]

there is method in everything that is done. If I have conveyed some idea of what this method is—a very difficult task at the best—I shall be more than satisfied. I hope that I have been in some measure successful.

"Jernand."

## A Playground of Outdoor Sporting Society.



#### PERSONALITIES AT A WELL-KNOWN CLUB: ROEHAMPTON CELEBRITIES.

Rochampton Club is one of the most popular of Society's outdoor playgrounds, as its golf course, polo grounds, hard and grass lawn-tennis courts, croquet lawns and bridge pavilion provide the opportunity for the exercise of all these sports and pastimes. Colonel C. D. Miller,

the managing director, is himself a first-rate sportsman. Our caricaturist has visualised him combining four games in one afternoon, and has also registered his impressions of the great George Gadd, of Mr. J. G. Wylie, and other well-known Rochampton people.



I was very young and happy when I wrote it, so, of course, it is all about unrequited love and a girl who dies of a broken heart. When you are fifteen you yearn for unhappy endings. You discover that sunshine and flowers and blue skies, to be properly appreciated, must be the background of deep tragedy. So you gaze into retrospect, and, finding nothing adequate in your own past, you invent a personality. You are only half aware that your heroine is yourself. You fancy yourself tremendously in grown-up clothes gliding through ball-rooms in the arms of an impossible young man with a criminal past. You alone of all the world understand him. You glory in your social ostracism on his behalf. You explain in elaborate language borrowed from, say, Marie Corelli that through all eternity you will reap the

reward of your multitudinous virtues. And then you grow up and learn, if your creatures

had come true, how ashamed

you would have been-you their

creator. Happily, their his-

tory is scribbled in pencil that fades, on paper so cheap (your

greed for chocolates was even

greater than your literary am-

bition) that already it is barely

legible. Fortunately, the prosaic business of life insists on

your now writing "Sunbeams Out of Cucumbers," instead of

sentimental stories about black

sheep and shrouds. So, having

destroyed your own, you are

encouraged to vivisect the art

seventh Exhibition of the In-

ternational Society of Sculptors,

Painters, and Gravers - the

private view-and enjoyed my-

self. With an eye to this

essay, I meant to look mostly

But I

at the invited guests.

got carried away by

the pictures a moment after making a

I went to the twenty-

of others.



A DEBUTANTE OF THE YEAR: MISS MABEL D'OYLY.

Miss Mabel D'Oyly is the only daughter of Major and Mrs. George D'Oyly, of 11, Lowndes Square, and is one of the débutantes of the year. She is to be presented this season at one of the coming Courts.

Photograph by Malcolm Arbuthnot.

mental note of the presence of Lady Sarah Wilson and Mrs. Ralph Peto and Lady Musgrave. I got specially carried away by Sir William Orpen's head of Colonel Lawrence, with its surprising background of bright yellow and cream and blue and grey. Sir William Orpen is quite right to charge so much for his pictures. The amount of colour thrown in beside the mere drabs necessary to paint a man's clothing is most generous. It delights me to-day; but, Philistine that I am, I am not at all certain it will delight the greatgrandchildren of Colonel Lawrence. It seems that in the degree that your age advances your aura deepens. M. Clemenceau's head is set in splashes of deep-orange, and again grey splashes—to soften it, I suppose, lest the psychic influence of too deep glory break the spell. And there is a spell. It kept me there till long past lunch-time, wondering about things—that and "Amiens, August 1918" (also by Orpen), and "President Wilson," a masterpiece of portraiture-but why in a white frame? Is it meant for a symbol of peacefulness, or is it merely meant for the White House? Perhaps the picture that pleased me most was "Doreen," by Charles Buchel. Set in an emerald-green ground; the black dress with its grey lace and fan arrested me first. Then the beautiful face of Doreen herself, whoever she may be. It is refreshing to find beautiful features beautifully painted. I, for one, am frankly tired of the ultra-moderns, who seem to avoid beauty like the plague

Even their paid models are often coarse, ugly, shapeless creatures, and these painters glory in nudes whose skinny figures look more like broken lamp-posts than flesh-and-blood women. Would that Boucher could come back to life and paint flesh in the pink once more! His

well-cushioned posteriors were preferable to these skeletons made of mud. And would that Velasquez could lecture on his own "Venus of the Looking-Glass"! She lives all rosy from her bath. She was

painted in the heyday of the youth of the world, when curves and dimples were still preferable to angles and cubes. I wonder what she would say about Arthur Davies's picture, "The Balance of the Golden Scales"? He is an American, but I have never seen one American woman like that. Ask Lady Astor, whose sister is the model of the Dana Gibson girl!

I like the red, gold, and black frame of "Peggy and the mass of beautiful colour in Thomas Baxter's picture; and I like the late William Strang's " A Venetian," a Burnes-Jonesque, very finished expression of green dress, red hair, and dull mahogany velvet cloak; and most delightful is the flower group of Alexander Jamieson, "They Grew in a Cotter's Garden" and the portrait head by Oswald Birley; and "The Camp," by Laura Knight; and "Des Caresses," by Fernand



A RECENT BRIDE: MRS. EASTWOOD, FORMERLY MRS. D. FINDLAY.

Mrs. Eastwood, whose marriage to Major Raiph Eastwood, D.S.O., M.C., was celebrated recently, was formerly Mrs. Findlay. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Temperley, of 47, Chester Square, and is one of the prettiest women in Society.

Photograph by Malcolm Arbuthnol.

Khnopft; and "Olga," by Katherine Mayer; and "Mlle. X.," by Nora England. And, at the risk of being condemned as unpatriotic, I admit that the portrait that pleased me most was the one of Freeland Barlow by Laszlo. I would rather have all my belongings painted by him than by any artist alive. I do not presume to be an art critic. But I have ordinary eyes. I see people as Laszlo sees them. I do



MARRIED AT BOURTON, SHRIVENHAM: CAPTAIN BARTLE EDWARDS, M.C., AND HIS BRIDE, MISS DAPHNE KENDALL-BUTLER.

The marriage of Captain Bartle Edwards, M.C., Rifle Brigade, of Hardingham Hall, Norfolk, and Miss Daphne Kendall-Butler, daughter of Sir Cyril Kendall-Butler, of Bourton House, Shrivenham, took place at Bourton Church. Our photograph shows the bridal group in the garden after the ceremony.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

not see blue skin, or orange shadows on green noses. I do not want to see any face with a great splash of colour behind it—unless I can change the colour twice a week. Perhaps some enterprising artist will take the idea—gratuitously—and devise a canvas with a hole in

## An English Matinée Idol.

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READY TO BRAVE THE RIGOURS OF AN ENGLISH SUMMER: MR. OWEN NARES GOES FOR A STROLL.



PRACTISING PUTTING: MR. OWEN NARES IN HIS GARDEN.



OLD GLASS OR OLD PORT? A POPULAR ACTOR IN HIS DINING-ROOM.



INCOME - TAX QUERIES: A FAVOURITE WITH SOME UNPOPULAR PAPERS.

Mr. Owen Nares is perhaps our most popular stage lover, and looks like scoring another of his big successes in his new rôle of the blue-blooded house-painter (pro tem.), Kit Harwood, in Miss Jennings' latest comedy, "Love Among the Paint Pots," which was recently produced at the Aldwych. He

collects old furniture and glass, and has some beautiful pieces in his house in London. It also boasts a garden where Mr. Nares, who is a prominent member of the Stage Golfing Society, can practise putting. Our photographer caught him in the act—[Photographs by Foulsham and Banfield, L.d.]

#### "SUNBEAMS OUT OF CUCUMBERS."

Continued.

it, and with a revolving inside canvas to suit the demands of any colour-mood. That needs deep thought.

The pictures I saw best at the private view of the Royal Academy were moving pictures. They were not all beautiful. But my shoes were too new, and it is extraordinary how an eye for the picturesque may be influenced by cramped toes in pain. The only

pictures I enjoyed happened to be immediately opposite the only vacant seat. I spent my time trying to avoid people I had gone there to see. Recognition meant rising, and rising meant the loss of my sofa. So it came to pass that the Irrepressible, for once, was repressed. Jane got tired of staring at Glyn Philpot's " Journey of the Spirit." greyness of it reflected too much her own mood of mute despair. The mystery of it set her longing for wings. Whichever way she

regarded it, it brought her abruptly back to her own feet. The feet of the grey figures of themselves are not inspiring. No shoes would fit them. It was a relief to find the microscopic toes of Lady Cunard trotting past-inspired toes that kept pace with her vivacious tongue. And the new shoes of Lady Islington looked, withal, comfortable,

ENGAGED TO MAJOR E. F.

TICKELL, M.C.: MISS MARY

VIOLET BUZARD.

under her new Paris frock-a white accordion-pleated chiffony soft thing with black draperies. I heard her assuring someone that her jewellery had not all been stolen in Paris. It was mostly little clocks and the etceteras that lend the personal touch to every woman's sitting-room in an hotel. Anyhow, she was not depressed. Nor was Mr. Clifford-Smith, who was gazing on pictures with a critic's eye. Someone asked him why Cadogan Cowper gave all his women sitters such. brilliant pink cheeks. But his answer was most guarded. It was as well, as you never know in these days of diarists who may be listening. tened, but the worst I heard him say was that they (the sitters) probably liked cheeks like that. Lord Lascelles was another who really seemed to be looking at the pictures. He has acquired a considerable amount of artistic knowledge, and was born with a love for the beautiful, and his large fortune gives full scope for the satisfying of all his fancies. Lady Arran, with her hair done in a new way, and wearing a high Parisian collar, was more interested in humanity itself than in portraiture. She chatted with everyone from room to room. And so did Lord St. Davids, who seems to be quite well again after his severe ill-Two American women who ness. always enjoy everything are Lady Campden and Lady Ross. They both have a joie de vivre beyond the ordinary, and sparkle in quite distinct ways. They each had an indispensable male in tow at Burlington House. There were so many people coming in as I took my new shoes out, that,

ENGAGED TO MISS MURIEL. DUNSMUIR : CAPTAIN E. R. MOLYNEUX, M.C.



in torture, I looked straight ahead, only sub-consciously realising

the proximity of the Spanish Ambassador, Señor Merry del Val, and Señor Dominguez, of the Argentine Legation, and Lady Aberconway and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Henry McLaren, and Mrs. Asquith and

A CHARMING DEBUTANTE OF THE YEAR: MISS YOLANDE HOLROYD.

Miss Mary Violet Buzard, whose engagement to Brevet-Major E. F. Tickell, M.C., R.E., son of Mr. Charles Tickell, of Eddystone, Cheltenham has been announced, is the elder (twin) daughter of Mr. Buzard, K.C. and Mrs. Buzard .- Captain Edward R. Molyneux, M.C., whose engagement to Miss Muriel Dunsmuir has recently been announced, is the well-known dress-designer, who started in business in Paris after the war, and has made such a remarkable success.—Miss Yolande Holroyd is the on y daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fraser Holroyd, of Brocket, Maidenhead. She is to be presented this year.-[Photographs by Lafayette, Foulskam and Banfield, Ltd., and Claude Harris.]

that wash, and Panama hats, and knitted things. But I was commanded to the first Court. That meant brand-new everything. And now when I am fully equipped comes a message that the miners have stopped the party. They did not actually address her Majesty (or me), but they made it impossible. And next year my dress will be old-fashioned;

and there may be no room for the first Court people at the later ones this season; and altogether I bitterly regret all the fine things I said about the British workman a week or two ago. I hope the miners will have cold,

at Lady Llangattock,

Lady Helmsley, and Lady Cantelupe, I

tumbled into a taxi

and took off both my

shoes. Since then I have been wondering whether the

Academy should be

revisited in bed-

room slippers. Some

day I shall go at

lunch - time and see

the pictures. Next year, perhaps, when my shoes are old.

For the first time

in my life, this sea-

son, I determined to

would avoid London

altogether. I would

live in tennis clothes

be economical.

raw food till they repent, and colds in their noses till they are forced to work to recover. The only people who have enjoyed the strike have been the retired officers-specifically, the retired officers of the Household Brigade who have returned pro tem. to their old life and London haunts. At lunch to-day we all discussed the divorce problems. I sat next to

a young peer who himself is awaiting his decree nisi. Alas! there are so many unsettled couples that London society is never bankrupt for small talk. My young friend was not bitter. He blames the world we live in.: He blames the fact that a young woman is never supposed to dance more than once with her own husband. He says young women are not vicious, only vain. They want the other women to see how many partners they can get. Even a pip-squeak of a youth they will dance with over and over again rather than spend a quarter of an hour by the wall. And the husband amuses himself with another man's wife. Or he seeks sympathy in the sub-society of women. Or he takes refuge in golf, and leaves her too free, and she finds freedom her undoing. They grow mutually bored, and the usual letter is written. It is all too simple—for Satan—and Lord

Buckmaster.—IRREPRESSIBLE JANE.



ENGAGED TO A WELL-KNOWN DRESS-DESIGNER: MISS MURIEL DUNSMUIR WHO IS TO MARRY CAPTAIN MOLYNEUX," M.C.

Miss Muriel Dunsmuir, who is engaged to Captain Edward R. Molyneux, the young English dress designer, who has made such a big success in Paris, is the daughter of the late Mr. James Dunsmulr, ex-Governor of British Columbia. The wedding will take place this summer, and Captain Molyneux will design his bride's wedding dress and entire trousseau.

Camera Portrait by Hoppe.

### The Matinée Idol of Paris.



THE ACTOR WHO KNOCKED OUT CARPENTIER -- IN A BEAUTY COMPETITION: M. ANDRE BRULÉ.

M. Andre Brulé, the handsome young actor who is appearing in a short season of French plays in London, is the Parisian Matinée Idol of the moment. He is also the winner of a beauty competition for

men arranged by the Parisian weekly, "Fantasio," in which he easily "knocked out" Carpentier, who was awarded the second prize.—[Pholograph by Foulskam and Banfield, Ltd.]



#### THE WAY OUT. BY A. M. BURRAGE.

HE Marquis regarded the bent card with a frown of annoyance, "The servants are in bed," he said. "It would be useless to ring for another pack. There may be one in the top drawer of the bureau. I will look,"

Vospard grinned mirthlessly. It was the grin of an ape, or the

grin of a man who had hurt himself.

"Your luck will doubtless serve you equally well with any pack, M, le Marquis," he remarked.

The other chuckled and rose.

Let us see what we can find," he said, and crossed to the bureau. "We were well met to-day, my dear Vospard. A chance meeting with an old comrade-in-arms at a railway junction, and I benefit by the presence of a charming guest and the most delightful little game of baccarat à deux that I have had for years.'

He bent over the bureau drawer, and Vospard watched him, the grin remaining fixed on his face like some strange deformity,

The servants are in bed," he repeated below his breath.

would be useless to ring . . . useless to ring.'

The drawer was full of papers, old letters, some of the undestroyed refuse of a library. The Marquis fell to routing among the litter like a bird among leaves. Vospard, still watching him with one eve, sidled to the wall, where, among other trophies, a long Oriental dagger hung in its sheath.

Vospard's fingers closed over the hilt, and gently, gently, drew out the blade. He was still grinning, but his eyes were narrow, alert,

under a puckered forehead.

" Ha!

Vospard started violently and twisted back his wrist, so that his arm concealed the blade. He turned and screened with his back the empty sheath on the wall. But the Marquis had seen nothing. He was holding up in triumph an unopened pack of cards. He returned to the table, split open the wrapper and laid the new cards on the green baize.

'Will you cut?' he asked, smiling, with a little bow,

Vospard approached the table leisurely and with an air of detach-When, however, he was within arm's-length of his host, a sudden lightning activity seemed to infect him. He leaped upon the Marquis like a hawk, his arm rose and fell, and the Marquis collapsed across the table without a cry or a word.

Vospard ceased to grin for a moment, and then grinned again, After all, it had been very quick and silent, almost childishly easy. The large ornate clock above the grate went on ticking out the moments in the same steady voice as before. Death had come, and the Marquis had gone, and not a sound to show that any other being in the castle had so much as stirred in his sleep. Vospard listened and was reassured. He was unconscious of any change in himself save that his sense of hearing had become suddenly very acute.

Then a movement of the body and a crash brought his heart into his mouth. All his nerves, leaping at once, jerked a cry from his lips. The body and the table had both heeled over together and lay

on the floor among a litter of scattered cards.

Vospard pressed a hand over his galloping heart and laughed weakly. His nostrils were still tingling with fear, but a moment's frantic thought had shown him the cause of his alarm. The weight on the ill-balanced table had overturned it. No movement of the Marquis had wrought that sudden overthrow with its accompanying rush of noise,

Vospard became himself again. The corners of his mouth were twitching, but he was grinning once more. He pushed the fallen table on one side and regarded his victim, who now lay on his side, his head lolling upon the shoulder beneath him. From near the centre of his breast the knife-hilt protruded.

The living man dropped on one knee beside the dead, loosed a corner of the dinner-coat pinned down under the body, and felt

in the breast pocket for the thick wad of notes. "More ways than one of breaking the bank, M. le Marquis," he

muttered. "You are 'baccarat,' my friend. Bon vovage.

He rose up and made a little bow. Only the whites of the sightless eyes were visible, and they stared past him with the curious dignity of the eyes of a statue, as if consciously ignoring this last impertinence. Vospard shrugged his shoulders heavily and turned towards the door. Now remained only the task of finding his way out of the castle-which done, he had many hours before him to make good his escape. His passport to England was already in his pocket. The cards he held seemed good enough to give him the game.

The room he left was at the top of a passage, itself a cul-de-sac. The Marquis had shown him over the great mediæval castle, and he had striven to memorise his way. But through such a maze of passages, staircases, and interlinked rooms had he been shown that the mere finding of his way down into the great hall promised to be no easy

Creeping down the corridor like a cat, he took a turning to the left, found a narrow flight of stairs, and at the foot three passages opened out in different directions. He chose one haphazard, and it brought him straight to another staircase, leading upwards.

Vospard hesitated, and then mounted the stairs, trusting them to bring him to the main staircase, whence his way was easily found. At the top he took a turning to the right and crept down a corridor which ended in a blank wall. On the right was a door with light shining through the chinks, and sudden suspicion, amounting almost to certainty, caused him to push it open and peer inside. The table, the Marquis, and the scattered cards lay on the floor just as he had left them. Like one lost in a wilderness he had inexplicably come back to the very spot he had left,

He closed the door, muttering a curse, set off down the passage again, took the right-hand turning at the end of it and passed a gallery railing overlooking a great room below. He leaned against the railing for a moment and looked down. The moonlight poured through a row of tall windows, the middle one of which bore the family escutcheon in stained glass. The three tercels on a field of gold, with a scrolled motto beneath, lay silhouetted on the floor between the shadowed bars. Misty silver light showed up dim figures on the old arras on the walls, and gleamed on the gilt backs and legs of brocaded

Vospard recognised the room. It was the ball-room, a room in which Marie Antoinette had once made merry until morning twilightso the Marquis had told him. Once let him find his way there, and five more minutes would suffice to see him out of this accursed

But five minutes, ten minutes of fruitless wandering brought him back to a cul-de-sac, with a door on the right hand thinly edged with light. Inside, the Marquis, the table, and the cards still lay as before. A sweat of horror began to damp Vospard's hair.

"I have got little further than you, my friend," he muttered. " Mon Dieu! Am I condemned always to return to this accursed chamber?

He set off once more, his nerves tingling with a sudden nightmare dread. Thoughts he would have laughed at were now vested with the power to scare him. What if some devil had been sent to guide him round and round, and back to that room time and again ?--back to that room until servants came to seize him in the morning?

"I cannot find my way! Ah, mon Dieu, show me the way. Diable! must I fester here for ever?"

It echoed almost to the word a string of thoughts gliding through Vospard's mind, but it was not Vospard's voice that uttered them aloud. He knew, even after the first paroxysm of terror, that it was not his own voice. He knew that voice too well, and recognised the mincing, high-pitched accents of the man who lay dead in the library. But the sound came from the great ball-room below the

Vospard's knees gave way. His hands flew to his own throat, Even the raving voices of fear that filled his ears could not deprive him of the power to think. Below him-God in Heaven !- the blind soul of the Marquis was caught in his own plight, unable to find a way out into the night air and the infinite spaces beyond.

"The way out! Mon Dieu, the way out!"

A remnant of reason for a moment abated Vospard's agony of dread. He crawled to the gallery railings and looked down. The Marquis stood in the centre of the room, blotting from the floor the flung reflection of his own shield of arms. He was looking up, and strange fires seemed to be burning in his eye-sockets. He waved long arms to Vospard, and laughed the long, high, empty laugh of a devil.

"You also, mon ami? It is well. We shall find our way out together! Together, my friend, together!"

The room below was suddenly empty of him, but Vospard, crouching limp behind the railings, heard the sound of rushing footfalls

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## "Up in the Hay Mow" - on Broadway.



A BEAUTIFUL AMERICAN ACTRESS: MISS HAZEL DAWN.

Miss Hazel Dawn is a beautiful and well-known actress from the Other Side. She recently made a success on Broadway in "Up in the Hay-Mow," under the management of Mr. A. H. Woods.

\*Photograph by Charlotte Fairchild.\*

### LA REINE DE L'ATTITUDE AND A



Mme. Ida Rubinstein, the famous French actress who played the lead in D'Annunzio's "Saint-Sébastien," and has been featured as the leading lady in "The Ship," the wonderful new D'Annunzio film, appeared as Cleopatra in a translation of the Shakespearean play by M. André Gide, the well-known French poet. The production was one of the most sumptuous ever seen, and worthy of a lady who is such a rich patron

## MONTE CRISTO OF THE THEATRE.



of the arts that she has been called the Monte Cristo of the stage. She is not only an artist of talent, but is superbly beautiful, and has been described as La Reine de l'Attitude. Our pages show some of the wonderful dresses she wore as Imperial Egypt. They are as artistic as original, and suit the lissom beauty of the great actress to perfection.—[Photographs by J. Sabourin.]

## The Bird Voiced Shepherdess.



#### A DAINTY NOTION IN THE LEAGUE: MISS JUNE KORLE, OF THE NEW OXFORD.

Miss June Korle, who appears as the dainty little Shepherdess in singing voice, which absolutely resembles the call of a bird, and brings "The League of Notions" at the New Oxford, is not only charming in appearance, but is the possessor of a strange, sweet, high-pitched New Oxford theatre.

the fascination of sylvan haunts into the sophisticated precincts of the



FROM THE READER'S POINT OF VIEW.

BY W. DOUGLAS NEWTON.

Uncle William and George the blushing adventure up to London to rescue him from one of the latter. They are the super-innocents all abroad. They tangle up things with hilarity. They complicate life with taxi-drivers and policemen, and betting touts and the rest. They run amok in Soho, that mephitic region inhabited "by a numerous family of the surname of 'Café.'" They try to trail their Clarence through a Garden City, where the principal industry seems

to be making roads. They meet actors, they burrow into the abysmal deeps of newspaper offices, where they encounter the terrors of libel in the shape of a young man who gained huge damages because his "name was accidentally inserted beneath the picture of a regimental goat."

They encounter the siren, and they get mixed up with the theatre, and in the end Aunt with her basilisk nature descends on them, and they are only saved from the wrath to come by Uncle adroitly accusing her of being too good-looking. That, and the appearance of Clarence glowing with good fortune bring the brisk and racing affair to a happy and human end.

Mr. Gouverneur Morris, who has been guilty of some of the finest contemporary short stories, has written a long novel, "The Wild Goose," which might have been a very keen and very cruel satire on the American habit of divorce, had not the author taken it seriously. Francis Manners, an artist whose "work had charm, but it lacked guts," is the wild goose, who is always faithful. His wife, Diana, is beautiful and selfish, and has no sense of duty—only a sense of what she likes

The thing she likes most is change. Ogden Fenn is the third change in affection, as her husband was her first. Like her husband, Fenn encompasses the folly of man who "for millions of years has made the mistake of sympathising with woman when she is wrong." Her husband succumbs to the other folly of man; he opposes her desire to have her own way. Be-

tween them they bring about the crisis.

It is an extraordinary crisis born of endless talk. It is talk of astonishing frankness at times, for Diana and her husband, and even Fenn, have long friendly conferences on what should best be done, and what are the neatest means of separating a wilful wife from a doting husband and handing her along to a tender lover. Francis Manners even plans his "unfaithfulness" with his wife's help, both talking with a horrible calmness and detail. They are incredible people whom even the brilliance of Mr. Morris's writing cannot make quite convincing.

AGAIN Sir Harry Johnston engages us in a long and captivating chat. He sets out to tell us the strictly amusing story of Roger Brentham, "The Man Who Did the Right Thing," in a manner all his own. He shows us a bright little picture of bucolic Berkshire: "This was England. Was there a jollier country in the world? There was not—in 1886." And then he shows us how that idyllic land was slightly marred by the stony-minded and indestructibly virtuous Mrs. Baines, the gilded orchid Sibyl,

and the follies of the Foreign Office.

Following his habit of delicious inconsequence, Sir Harry Johnston strolls about all round his plot, to our immense entertainment. When he is finished with the F.O. he throws Lucy, who is "embarking on a life of unexpected frightfulness" as the wife of John Baines, East African missionary, into the arms of Roger, a fellow-passenger on the liner. He also introduces the Bayswater Mrs. Bazzard and her gift for backstairs intrigue, discussions on missionaries, and some biological thinking which, one feels; is going to be pigeon-holed for use in Mr. Wells's "Outline of History."

Then there follows a full, rich, and alluring impression of East Africa, from insect pests to gold deposits. It is most enjoyably managed. Many of the pests and fevers are met by Lucy in the course of her honeymoon journey with John to his station at Hangodi. Some of the pests are consular and political, and stay on the coast to undermine Roger's position. Some, again, are raiding Arabs who declare war on the Germans, force Roger to go to the help of the mission stations, and ultimately kill Lucy's husband. All make a brave and stirring pageant of thrills and impressions, enlivened by the scandal of Roger wandering in the wilds with a married woman whom he happens to love.

But they discover "The Happy Valley," where idyllic Africa reigns unspoiled, where the animals have not been slaughtered by brutes with a passion for cruelty, like Sir Willoughby Patterne, and are still unafraid of man. "The Happy Valley" is

the joy of their future, for though Roger is "scuppered ' by scandal and his own implacable honesty, and is driven out of the Service almost into the arms of the rigorously non-moral and flippant Sibyl, he comes back to it with Lucy, and there he makes his fortune. The story, however, good though it is, is but a means of displaying the knowledge, the sound sense, the charm, and the wit of the author. It is a whole chapter of East African history visualised in a most glowing manner.

Mr. F. Morton Howard calls his book "A Man May Not Marry His Grandmother" a ridiculous story; it lives up to the accusation most pleasantly. It is what might be called a Bindle farce—that is, its fun is of the bustling and extravagant sort that chokes reality in chuckles. It is about Clarence, who so often suffered from a rush of "larkiness" to the head, and who complicates life with debts and mixed sirens.



TAKING A BLIND EX-GUNNER FOR A RIDE: MISS RUTH PELHAM-BURN.

Miss Ruth Pelham-Burn, who has done a great deal of work at St. Dunstan's for the blinded men, is now acting as a riding companion to men who have lost their sight. Our photograph shows her with an exgunner. She has his horse on a lead, so that she can control it, and both she and the men thoroughly enjoy their rides.



A BRILLIANT PIANIST READING ALOUD TO A FAMOUS ACTRESS: MR. HAROLD SAMUEL, WITH MISS MARY ANDERSON (MME. DE NAVARRO) AND HER SON.

Our photograph shows Mr. Harold Samuel, the brilliant pianist, reading aloud to Miss Mary Anderson (Mme. de Navarro) and her son in their old-world garden in Broadway, where he has been staying. He is giving a week of Bach recitals in London at the Wigmore Hall, beginning on May 30. Mme. de Navarro has, by the way, been ill, and is now in the convalescent stage.

The Man Who Did the Right Thing. By Sir Harry Johnston. (Chatto and Windus; 8s. 6d.)

A Man May Not Marry His Grandmother. By F. Morton Howard. (Holden and Hardingham; 7s. 6d.)

The Wild Goose, By Gouverneur Morris, (Unwin; Ss.)

## In Society: A Quartet of Interesting Portraits.



Mrs. Lionel Vavasseur Lloyd, whose marriage to Lieutenant Lionel Vavasseur Lloyd, R.N., son of Commander Edward Lloyd, C.B., R.N. and Mrs. Lloyd, of Monkmoor, Weybridge, took place recently at St. James's, Piccadilly, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Holdron.—Lady Poynter, the wife of Sir Ambrose Poynter, the architect, has recently started business as a house decorator. She is working under the name of "Toucan," and has already done a good

deal of work.—Lady Cholmeley, whose engagement to Colonel Walter Lambert, D.S.O., 29th Lancers (Indian Cavalry), only son of the late Sir John Lambert, K.C.I.E., has been announced, is the widow of Sir Montague A. R. Cholmeley, and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Montagu Waldo-Sibthorpe, of Canwick Hall, Lincoln.—Mrs. Geoffrey White is the wife of Major-Gen. G.\*H. A. White, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., the well-known amateur four-in-hand whip. She is the sister of Admiral Sir Dudiey de Chair.

Portrait Studies Nos. z and 4 by Bertram Park, No. 2 by Elliott and Fry, and No. 3 by Hugh Cacil.

## Girl Guide and Débutante: A Type of English Beauty.



THE DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. W. B. GLADSTONE: MISS DAPHNE GLADSTONE.

she is very musical, and is also interested in the Girl Guide movement. Miss Daphne Gladstone is the débutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gladstone, and one of the prettiest girls in Society. Like her mother, She has a detachment of her own, and works very hard for it. Photograph by Fenwick Cutting.

## Daughter in Law of the Pro Grand Master.



SUCCESSFUL AS A DRESSMAKER: THE HON. MRS. JOHN RUSSELL.

The Hon. Mrs. John Russell is the wife of the Hon. John Hugo Russell, R.N., the eldest son of Lord Ampthill, who is the Pro Grand Master of the English Freemasons. She is the daughter of the late

Colonel John Hart, and was married in 1918. Mrs. Russell, who is both clever and artistic, recently started a dressmaking business, and has been most successful.-[Camera Portrait by Hugh Cecil.]



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HE spirit of a nation - this, cher public, is what you may term an Impressive Opening, but anybody tends to write a shade in the monumental style when he quaveringly puts a convalescent's pencil to invalid paper in order to keep the gathering pack of wolves from a door beset with medical advisers and ministering angels after a healthy bout of one of those fashionable complaints which owe their popularity to Our Medical Correspondent (grapes may be sent by sympathisers, c/o Ed. The Sketch, up to Thursday 2 p.m., when we leave for villeggiatura by train, car, and wheelbarrow-or possibly (there must be lots of them at liberty) by coal-cart—the spirit of a . . . let's start another paragraph with it, shall we? It is far too good and sonorous to waste in the obscurity of an ordinary position.

The spirit of the nation, it has been justly observed, resides in its music-halls. This sage observation is not really quite such a quotation as it looks. But it acquires (doesn't it?) an added dignity, an increased impressiveness, an extra prestige from being introduced with the air of an extract from the verses of the late Lord Macaulay. And, unlike many equally solemn statements that are to be found (if you mean to go to the library, shin up a ladder and blow the fluff off the top) in the latter. Because, you know, it is Quite True.

Busy searchers in quest of the national spirit go sometimes to a Which is inpeople's literature. variably chock - full of laborious imitations of some other people's literature. Or they go to the theatre and make a careful study of the prevailing fashion in the Legitimate. Which is generally adapted from the French and characteristic of nothing on earth except the peculiar convention of Husband, Wife, and Odd Man Out that passes for the representation of life between the Porte Saint Martin and the Ambassadeurs.

No. If you want to feel the national pulse anywhere in Europe (one omits America, because it has probably stopped beating since they downed the Demon Drink) you must go to Varieties. Even in England, if you can manage to step into the house between the Wisconsin Shuffle - Dancers and the Manchurian Equilibrists, you will learn more about the true inwardness of the British mind in ten minutes of the British music - hall than you would glean in a cycle



EXHIBITED AT THE ACADEMY: "LADY VIOLET ASTOR," A MINIATURE BY MISS NELLIE M.
HEPBURN-EDMUNDS

Lady Violet Astor, whose miniature by Miss Nellie M. Hepburn-Edmunds, Vice-President of the Royal Society of Miniature Painters, is exhibited in the Academy this year, is the wife of Major the Hon.

J. J. Astor, and the sister of the present Earl of Minto.—[Copyright strictly reserved by the Arist.]



HOST AND HOSTESS FOR THE PRINCE OF WALES DURING HIS STAY IN THE SCILLY ISLES: MAJOR AND MRS. A. A. DORRIEN-SMITH.

Major A. A. Dorrien-Smith, D.S.O., and Mrs. Dorrien-Smith, whom our photographer snapped in their beautiful, tropic-like garden at Tresco Abbey. Scilly Isles, will be the host and hostess to the Prince of Wales during his stay in the Islands.

Photograph by L.N.A.

of Cathay, or six months' hard labour in the West End theatres.

Same thing abroad. Only more so. Take Spain (Napoleon nearly did once, didn't he?). There you have a country which might be reasonably expected to have grown a trifle blase about her national characteristics. She has exported flowered shawls and tall tortoise-shell combs for the past hundred years. Every fancy-dress ball in Europe is plastered thickly with sham Madrileñas, and no opera is complete without a mantilla. Yet if you turn into the Teatro Romea, which isn't so far from the Puerta del Sol (and that, in case you didn't know it, is the hub of the Madrid universe), you will see half-a-dozen turns, in the full dress of Spanish femininity - comb, mantilla, manton de Manilla, and all the rest of it.

And the best of them, positively verging on European importance, will be (if you are lucky in the evening of your visit) a large, dashing, piquant young lady named Carmen Flores, "en sus creaciones," which consist of an entirely admirable series of semi-comic songs dealing with national types in a dazzling set of national costumes. Not that

their purpose is educational. No. They are not designed solely for the education of the inquiring foreigner. At least, not for his education in Spanish costume. Because they are highly pointed. And helped out by the incomparable Senorita Flores with a reminiscent smile which Marie Lloyd would have envied fifteen years ago. Yes. That astonishing young lady can make the point of a highly Spanish joke penetrate your Anglo-Saxon exterior by the international Esperanto of facial expression. A great artist, messieurs 'dames, and you hadn't heard of her, had you?

One really wishes that some of our questing Grossmiths, Laurillards, Cochrans, Charlots, et hoc genus omne, whose perpetual boast it is that they range the world in search of talent for us, would make the discovery of Miss Carmen' Flores of Madrid. She would enliven a British revue more than the rather second-rate importations with which we, always hungry for cosmopolitanism, sometimes put up. And she would knock the much-noised, mildly entertaining Miss Raquel Meller into a cocked hat or so. Perhaps one day they will find out about her. Let us hope so.



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T has been said, with some injustice, that if you turn to a description of the Salon, the real Salon, the Salon de la Société des Artistes Français, of twenty years ago, you will encounter precisely the same names, precisely the same subjects, precisely the same pictures! This cannot be altogether true, because the Salon brings itself up to date by its portraits. Twenty years ago you would not have had M. Millerand and M. Briand and Marshal Foch-there are two or three Fochs-all exposed together. There are, indeed, enough generals at the Salon to lead immense armies; enough politicians to form a complete Cabinet! There is a monument to M. Clemenceau. The leader of the French Bar, Maître Henri Robert, is here. There is a gathering of all the notabilities of the day.

I should put M. Leon Bonnat, though now aged, at the head of the portraitists. M. Ferdinand Humbert is, however, equally good, and seems to be extraordinarily active. His portraits of women are excellent. Among the best fashionable artists must be put M. Henri Jacquier, who has tableaux of the Comtesse de Montebello and her

son, and also of the Comtesse de Coulombiers. There is also M. Schommer, who is justly appreciated, and M. Déchenaud of the younger school. Then there is M. François Flameng, a most elegant painter of the fair sex. As for M. Pierre Laurens. he is specially interesting. But I cannot enumerate even the portraitpainters, who are more numerous and busier than ever in Paris just now. Everybody seems to be having his or her portrait painted.

French women, more than any the women in world, know how to adapt their form to the exigencies of fashion.

Is it the mode to be plump and built on ample lines? Then Frenchwomen will be plump. Is it, as it has been for some years, the proper thing to be svelle? Then Frenchwomen will have the charm of slenderness. I do not know how far these physical changes are real and how far they are merely a matter of clothes; but you may, if you please, surprise Frenchwomen at this moment in the very act of transforming their feet.

It is the influx of American women that is the cause of this modification. All American women seem to have the longest, narrowest feet, and their shoes taper to the finest point. Frenchwomen, on the contrary, have hitherto had short feet, which they encased in fairy round-shaped shoes. But somehow, after laughing. a little at the long-pointed American shoes, Frenchwomen are beginning to wear them. I can only presume that we are witnesses of one of those physical alterations of which the Parisienne knows the secret.

What effect the concours, which is now opened, for the discovery of the French girl with the best-shaped foot will have upon this tendency I cannot predict. It is a somewhat similar competition to that which was organised, I seem to remember, by an English newspaper some time ago. But the name of "Cinderella's Slipper," which has been given to the tournoi, is surely not quite exact. It is not a question of finding the smallest French foot, but the most harmoniously designed, the best proportioned—the foot of a French Trilby. It is the Princesse Murat who is the President of the jury, on which figure Mme. Marthe Chenal, the cantatrice; M. André de Fouquières, the arbiter of the mode; Sem, the caricaturist; and Van Dongen, the painter.

Since the war we have been engaged in a perpetual search for the superlative. We have determined what is the best in almost everything. It has been decided who is the best poet, who is the best novelist; who is the best painter. It has been laid down who is the prettiest woman in France. There is officially the best dressed

> man. No doubt has been left about who has the best shaped legs. Shortly we shall know who has the most elegant foot.

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transformations, Madame has just informed me that the latest device of the conturiers is a single robe which may be worn in two or three ways, and thus constitutes three robes in itself. tends that the method is economic. Of that I am not at all sure. These innovations which Madame finds

A WELL-KNOWN DRESS - DESIGNER AND HIS WIFE AT THE SALON: "M. AND MME. PAUL POIRET," BY E. GARCIA BENITO.

Benito's portrait of M. Poiret, the famous Parisian dressmaker, and his wife is now on view at the Paris Salon, and has aroused considerable interest. The extreme simplicity of Mme. Poiret's sheath-like dress is particularly attractive; but whether her husband designed it is a secret which has not been divulged.

Photograph by Vizzavona.

diture. However, the idea is interesting. An afternoon toilet may include a bolero of taffetas, with lace showing through the opening. In order to dress herself more elegantly the wearer has only to undress-that is to say, she takes off her taffetas bolero and her taffetas skirt and appears in a gown of ivory lace. Again, the original costume may be a tailormade. The jacket can be taken off to leave a panelled skirt. By an ingenious contrivance the panneaux can be removed, leaving the simplest little gown.

The changes can be rung in this way. The idea can be varied to infinity. If a dress is too decolletée for a little dinner, a big lace collar may be attached, which may afterwards be removed for the opera or for a ball. Moreover, dresses are being made that can be worn either way-the back in front or the front at the back. As the ornamentation is totally different, the effect is completely changed. If you ask me, however, what is the practical value of these ingenious contrivances, I confess I am puzzled to reply.—Sisley Huddleston.

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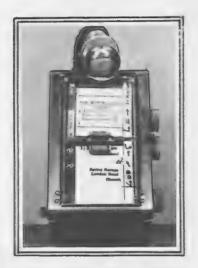
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#### THE "SHARRY" SEASON BOOM. By GERALD BISS.

HE charabanc season has indeed been let loose upon us in full force, aided by the sunshine and the coal strike. The makeshift "Two Thousand" and "One Thousand" day, a telescoped meeting in miniature, showed it in full measure and running over-not pedestrians, but the limits of our not yet Geddesianised roads; and now, if ye be amongst the ranks of the motorless, all you have to do is to walk out of your own front door and book to anywhere from Tooting to Timbuktu. Brighton is nowadays as humdrum to sharrybanksters as to pioneer motorists, and all coast towns are over-



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unfairly barred, owing to such minor details as ambushes, Marco-Curtian rifts in the high road, and similar disconcerting trifles. Only last Saturday a far-afield sharry of high adventure, a true pioneer of enterprise, left High Holborn after lunch, its tank and accommodation both well filled, to vie with Hannibal of old in conquering the To Brighton for the last doss in old England, and on giddy Alps. after breakfast to Newhaven and across to Dieppe, whence across France by Amiens and Rheims to Chaumont, en route by Bâle for Berne, and thence the Alps-with special brakes to make assurance doubly sure, like signing the Daily Mail coupon. Just think of it!

Why have a car in these days of communal automobilism? Some, of course, still prefer the season in town to the sharry on tour, but that is doubtless their bad taste; and, in the first whirl of this daily increasing carnival of charabanes and riot of road monsters, one is tempted quakingly to ask whether in time to come, or even this year of grace in one-per-cent. solution, our very expensive highways will be fit either for heroes or for autos. Obviously, it will be no good going to Switzerland for rest or quiet or room to motor, as already such demands of older automobilism have been anticipated. I have always so far held an altruistic brief for the sharry, but I am now beginning to question, not very deep down in my inner conscious ness, how far it be an unmixed

according to programme. I doubt not that one can fare from

ASSEMBLED FOR A CRICKET MATCH: A FINE CROWD OF CARS.

This lordly park of cars shows the number of "motor people" who attended the match between the Australians and Leicester, which took place recently at Leicester .- [Photograph by T.P.A.]

blessing for motors who cumber the road less bulkily. The ordinary car, however carefully driven, if not already, will soon be in grave danger of becoming a sharry sandwich, and ere long we may all perforce take to sharrybanging ourselves out of sheer self-protection.

An Ancient from From time to time really interesting old cars of the past crop up; and in last week's Autocar I came across the illustration of one which was the Iron Age.

actually illustrated and described in our elder brother the Illustrated

London News in 1860. This sixty-year-old steamer was a most valiant old road-putfer, built and driven by the Earl of Caithness of that date; and it has been brought to light again through an old letter to his father from the Earl which Captain N. G. Macalister recently found amongst some old papers. In it Lord Caithness, who does not seem to have been troubled by red flags, speed-limits, or police interference (probably being monarch of all he surveyed and a law unto himself in the vicinity of Barrogill Castle) boasts that he can do nineteen miles per hour — with iron tyres !—on the level, and tackle gradients of one-in-six without fear or favour. This ancient developed 9 h.p. (no tax in those days!), and could carry four, his Lordship at the tiller, and a stoker behind. He calculated the cost of running at a bawbee a mile, carrying water for ten or twelve and coal for twentyfive or thirty miles; and, as he pawkily puts it in the



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letter, "it is much cheaper than a horse, as it only eats when it is going." It originally cost Lord Caithness £230, and, as he is going to the more civilised south and cannot use it there, he offers it to Captain Macalister's father at that figure, with a confident recommendation, expressing himself as sure that he would like it if he had it. Why, two years ago, in the boom, I believe that it would have fetched more-such a trifle in those top-sawing days for anything horseless upon wheels! What an extraordinary example in prejudice that for over half-a-century the combustion engine should have been kept off the roads-in the interests of horse-breeding-after steam carriages were careering round the Park at thirty miles per hour in

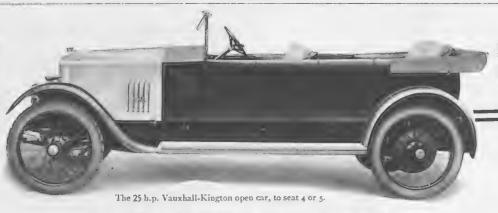
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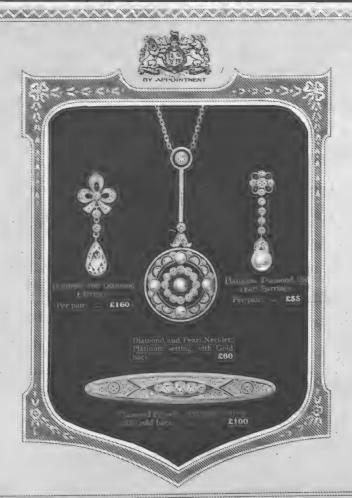
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A dear old Scotch lady, of particularly puritanical persuasions, paid a visit to her daughter who lived in London, and who was married to an artist. Now, it was an accepted fact that, on Sunday evenings, that artist's house was the Mecca of a number of what are known as Bohemians, who foregathered there on account of the music, the fun, and the refreshment. On the evening of the first Sunday night that mother-in-law sat up for the "at home," there came to the house a

distinctly boisterous party of music and dance lovers, some of whom played the piano, some of whom sang, and some of whom devoted their energies to the manipulating of the gramophone. The old lady sat back in a dim corner of the drawing-room, shocked and surprised to silence by the sound of such ribald revelry on the Sabbath. But the revelry went on. Then a clock struck midnight. On the last stroke of twelve the old lady got up, took a seat nearer the piano, where a comedian was at the time "projecting" a number, and, wreathed in smiles, arms comfortably folded, she softly murmured: "Thank God it's after midnight. Now ye c'n all get on with it, an' no hardship for mesel'."

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A man, trying to get over the effects of a somewhat hefty party the night before, walked into a building which he mistook for a place where he could get what he wanted. He asked a pretty young lady standing behind a mahogany counter for a glass of beer. The young lady explained that the place was not a publichouse but a bank. He apologised and went out, muttering something about his innate dislike of banks. Some two hours later, in the course of his wanderings in search of content, he lurched into the same bank. Again he put

his same request to the same lady, who said: "I told you, Sir, some time ago—this is not a public-house." By this time he was less amenable, and he said: "Then wotizh 'splace?" The sweet reply came: "This place is a bank." Annoyed almost to tears, he stumbled out with: "What! Another bally bank? I'm wrecked."

Two negroes of a decidedly black variety met in the streets of New York after many years of absence. The one was indigent and ragged, and his exchequer would as soon buy him the Woolworth Building as it could buy a "follow" plate of "ham-and."



A PIPE WHICH WAS SMOKED ON PARADE: A GERMAN MEERSCHAUM PRESENTED TO AN OFFICER BY THE KING OF PRUSSIA.

This pipe, which was exhibited at the Tobacco Exhibition, was presented to an officer of the Prussian Army by the King, and was smoked on parade, as in those days officers were allowed to indulge in the weed when they were on the parade ground.—[Photograph by S. and G.]



SMOKED ON THE SCAFFOLD: SIR WALTER RALEIGH'S PIPE AT THE HORTICULTURAL HALL.

One of the most interesting exhibits at the Tobacco Exhibition was Sir Walter Raleigh's strange-looking pipe. He smoked it on the scaffold, and as he laid his head on the block, handed it to Bishop Andrews.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

But his coloured brother had done well. He was "some" success. His clothes were of the gaudiest, and jewels sparkled about him, scintillating through the smoke of a big, banded cigar from which he puffed swiftly pursuing aromatic clouds. But he remembered his old friend of boyhood and said: "Why, kid, wharrer you gone an' done? Are you jest done gone broke? Cos' say, if heff-a-dollar 's any good to you, lemme know." The indigent one said he hadn't the price of a sandwich. The Crossus, dipping his fist into a pocketful of money, pulled out a handful which contained every kind of coin except a halfdollar. Finally he produced a dollar-

piece and, flauntingly passing it to the penurious one, said: "See, niggah, Ah ain't got no heff-dollar. But you c'n have this 'cre 'ole dollar, an' never mind no change." Grabbing his food and lodging, the other said: "Whay! you great big chief. Yo' th' only niggah Ah knows as c'n be called a reg'lar white man. An' yo' are."

Origin of the word Whitsun: Why—it's sun!

If appearances were not admittedly so deceitful, it would be difficult to convince the intelligent foreign visitor to one of our national holiday resorts that England's emblem is not the patient, long-suffering aspidistra.

He thought he saw a man of law
Who gave advice away.
He looked again and found it was
The eve of quarter-day.
"If I don't pay the rent," he said.
"There 'll be the deuce to pay."

In a little Welsh village, two men lived next door to each other, and they both bore that same uncommon and unmistakable name—Jones. But the one was John Jones and the other was James Jones. John Jones was an honest working man who paid his bills and lived at peace with the village, and so with the world. James Jones was of a different type; that is all. But such are the workings of

fate that it was John who was always being worried by James's troubles. One day a Welsh commercial traveller called, as usual, for the payment of an account at the wrong house. Mrs. John Jones answered the door and, on hearing the mission of the visitor, exclaimed: "'Aven't I told all the ol' people that do come 'ere after that James Jones all the day and night long that James Jones don't live 'ere. So there! Kerra diawl!" The door was slammed in his face, and after waiting a moment, the traveller knocked at the door again. Mrs. Jones reappeared in a fury. The tra-veller merely said: "Well, who th' 'ell did say as 'e did?" and bolted.



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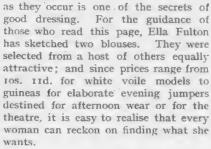
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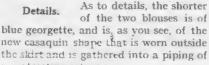
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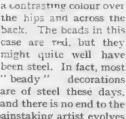
the hips and across the back. The beads in this case are red, but they might quite well have been steel. In fact, most " beady " decorations are of steel these days, and there is no end to the

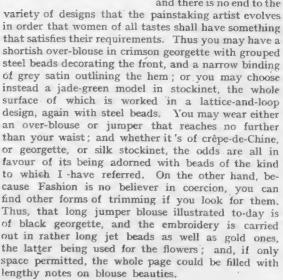
an over-blouse or jumper that reaches no further than your waist; and whether it's of crêpe-de-Chine, or georgette, or silk stockinet, the odds are all in favour of its being adorned with beads of the kind to which I have referred. On the other hand, because Fashion is no believer in coercion, you can find other forms of trimming if you look for them. Thus, that long jumper blouse illustrated to-day is of black georgette, and the embroidery is carried out in rather long jet beads as well as gold ones, the latter being used for the flowers; and, if only space permitted, the whole page could be filled with



Of alpaca wool, it has coloured stripes down the front.

As to details, the shorter of the two blouses is of







The blouse in its newest form.

It's never safe to prophesy in the dress world. A Tale of Shirts. La Mode is a contrary sort of creature, and is just as likely as not to change her mind merely because some credit her with an affection for some particular garment. So, without further remarks on their merits, let's just mention that shirt blouses are still in favour, and that Harrods are making them in every material. You think the plain silk with striped collars are attractive until you see others of rich crêpe-de-Chine; later your loyalty to both is severely tried by reason of the presence of models in soft georgette; "Japshan blouses call to you on the score of economy, though if you finally fall a victim to certain very special productions in crêpe-de-Chine just

because they happen to be 27s. 6d., it's certain that the sternest economist could hardly find it in his heart to censure you too severely.

There are people in Poor, Dear Things! this world who still proudly tell you that they simply "can't bear wool next my skin, my dear. Poor, dear, sensitive creatures! impossible to help feeling sorry for them. In a world that will, and wisely, persist in wearing jumpers, and coats, and cloaks and things of that kind, made of pure wool, what must their feelings be, especially if they belong to the class of beings that must look "smart;" and be 'in the fashion" at all costs?

Beauty in Stripes. There is that stripey sweater, for instance. At Harrods it is made of the soft alpaca wool that is both warm and light, and therefore justly popular. The sketch model was in jade-green, with beige-and-mauve and rust-coloured stripes; but other colour combinations are to be had

for the asking. One wouldn't, of course, venture to dictate to the sensitive-skinned beings already referred to; but they might, perhaps, find an experiment in an alpaca

wool sweater or coat very well worth while.

Presumably it was Golf Coats. some far - sighted golfer who was the first to realise the

comfortable possibilities of the loose, knitted woollen coat, and thus to give the name to the comfortable garment that even the popular jumper has not succeeded in ousting from its place in the feminine heart. The attractive example sketched by Ella Fulton is in coppercoloured wool, the revers and lower portion showing a raised check, with bars of orange by way of varying the colour - scheme. But what is so nice about this particular department at Harrods is the fact that one can see any number of models, so that if copper-andyellow does not suit your complexion, something



model of black georgette is trimmed with black and gold.

else very surely will. If you prefer silk, silk you can have; and though only one cape wrap is sketched on this page, do not take that as an indication that capes lack variety. They don't. Ella Fulton could have sketched dozens, but there was only room for one.



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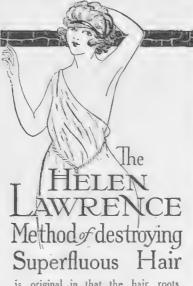
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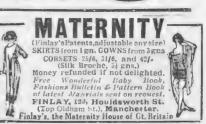
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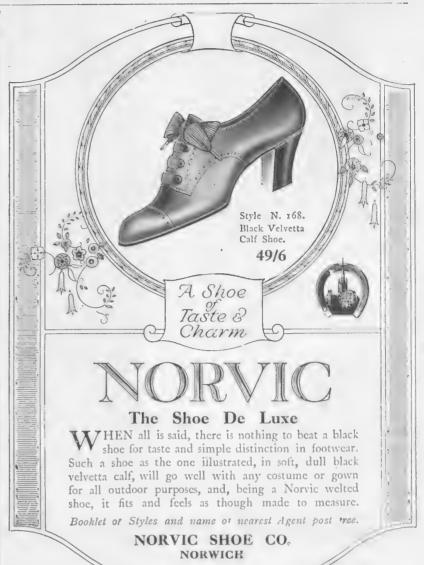
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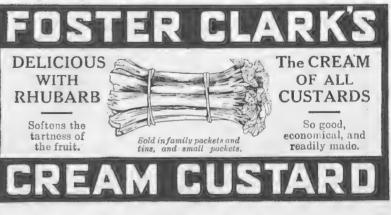
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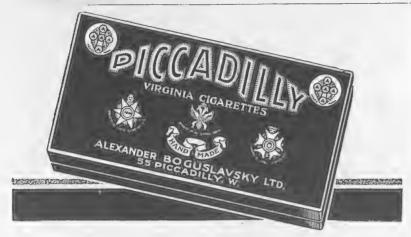
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#### TALES WITH A STING-THE WAY OUT.-[Continued from p. 208.]

upon stairs. Terror, which had deprived him of his strength, now gave it back to him. He uttered one long, shrill scream and ran, and as he ran he heard footfalls, gaining, gaining. .

Blindly he turned the corner of a passage and realised in a sudden intenser agony of despair that he was in the cul-de-sac, that he was

being driven back into that room-that room. .

He turned to bay outside the door, but the blazing eyes of his pursuer melted the cornered rat's courage which had arisen in him. Inside the room, however, the flame leaped up again. From behind his bared teeth came the snarl of a wild beast. He crouched with hooked fingers, spitting curses, the light of madness in his staring eyes. . . .

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> morning dress and in evening dress, and there is a list of the order in which all Orders, decorations and medals should be worn. volume is profusely illustrated with fine coloured plates.

> The madman laughed shrilly as the old servant pushed open the door. He laughed the more on hearing the hoarse scream that rang out.
> "Thy brother! Thy brother! Oh, wicked one, thou hast

killed thy brother!"

The maniac stole in after him, grinned at the old man who stood, white-faced, wringing his hands, and pointed a lean index-finger to a far corner of the room where Vospard lay, the backs of his

hands over his eyes, and his hooked fingers, claw-like, pointing outwards. It was very easy to see, one would have said, that the shock of witnessing the crime had killed M. Vospard.

But the dead men could not speak, and he who knew allthe new Marquis-had already forgotten. Regardless of the old man's moans and cries, he bent over the body of his brother, gathered up some of the cards and chuckled over them,

"She is a pretty woman, Pierre-the Queen of Clubs,' he said. THE END.

The latest edition of "Dress and Insignia Worn at His Majesty's Court," edited by Mr. Herbert A. P. Trendell, O.B.E., M.V.O., and issued with the authority of the Lord Chamberlain, has just appeared, and contains information as to the correct uniform to be worn by every official in the United Kingdom: It is, in fact, a complete guide for Court appearances. A special page has been devoted to the wearing of Orders, decorations and medals by ladies in





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The illusive millennium always remains on an ever-distant horizon. We merely exist in a savagely commercial age, an age in which we are compelled to work to provide a material minimum. And if we are fortunate we are rewarded by an occasional kiss from Life.

None of us to-day can afford to be anything but materialistic. Materialism is the only thing understood or accounted of value. But if we are constrained to struggle in this pestilential morass we must concede to it no more than necessity compels.

Materialism has laid its slimy trail on creative literature and has made niggard; of us all.

niggard of us all.

THE DEED.

And so to-day Commerce is niggardly with her fruits to you and to me. This House should really charge a unique figure for its material creations. But that figure would be beyond the capacity of the majority, whose spending receiver sealed.

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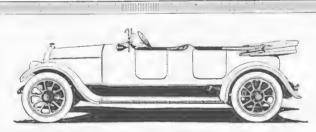
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## THE WOMAN ABOUT TOWN

Clothing at the The Academy Private View, long R.A. Private View. considered the forerunner of the London Season, was under the unmetry influence of bad King Coal. Lack of heat was not a trouble; the sun on glass roofs and congested humanity saw to that. Dress was conspicuous by its absence: the feminine portion of the crowd was merely clothed; the male portion appeared as in past years. One looked in vain for fresh spring frocks. Hats inclined to summer, and were suggestive of fruit markets, being garnished with the fruit of the trees, whose seeds were not in themselves! Two women had turned out in what was, by courtesy, white. Shortage of fuel for laundry purposes possibly accounted for the fact that both costumes were decidedly off-colour. Mrs. Asquith and Lady Alexander, usually original and ultra-smart, were respectively in black velvet and jet, and in grey and silver. The duchesses, marchionesses, peeresses of lesser degree, and leaders of Society were all very evidently on the economy tack, and on its longest leg !

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The most fashion-Afternoon v. able announce Evening. ments of each conements. Their week are postponements. Majesties and the Prince of Wales have led the way, setting aside all functions that entailed lighting and heating on large scale, also cooking for big public dinners and banquets. The consequence is a slump worse than ever in tradequite unavoidable, of course, because to save fuel is the first duty of Some there are who patriots. pessimistically declare that postponements mean ninety per cent, cancellations. This is improbable; it means that when the weather is consistently warm the functions, which only entail light, heat, and inconsiderable refreshments, will take place. Some that were set for evenings will be changed to afternoon. Dinners and banquets are in a different category; but no one need be surprised, if the miners continue out, to see afternoon Courts again, and race meetings on less luxurious lines as to food.

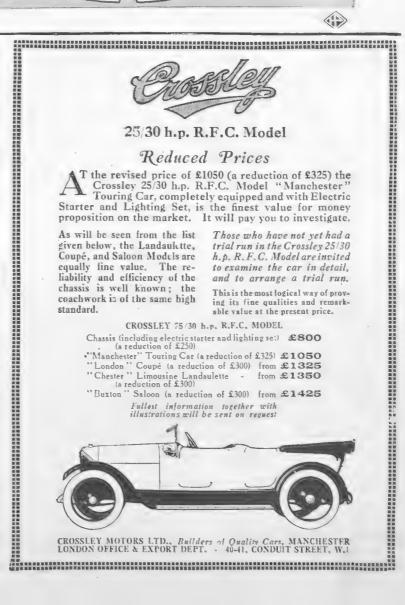
The Eest Nerves are the very —! Fill in according to feelings. A sensible mother told me the other day that her life [Continued overleaf.]











Continued: was a misery to her because of an "If it adored daughter's nerves. were real I could cope with it,' she complained; "but it is all imaginary." A very celebrated physician once told me how false v.as the idea that nervous symptoms were imaginary. He said that nervous ailments were not only real, but the most difficult of all to treat successfully. Doctor Sanatogen is the best specialist there is-it alone backs up the good-will not to worry which will soon make nerve victims see the world aright again. The earliest sign of nervous disorder should be combated by Sanatogen, or, as called by some, Genatosan, which will combine with will-power, and help it to a proper degree of authority over the nerve-centres, keeping them in control and making their owners see the world and its worries normally.

To End in awarded the silver Smoke. cup for smoking a cigarette most gracefully while enjoying a cup of tea-it sounds rather like the difficult task of whistling and chewing meal-at the Tobacco Fair last week? Not, I hope, a girl who attaches her smoke by its paper to the corner of her lip, or the girl who puts her enjoyment so far before her manners that she ouffs smoke into the face of whoever she may be talking to. Nor do I vish for the success of the woman who nakes a plain business of smoking, or of her who inhales and ejects from The prettiest smoker ier nostrils.

I wonder who was



Longer dresses are certainly making a bid for popularity, and here is one of them from Jove, for evening wear, of velvet and net, with bands of silver tissue.

of my own sex I ever knew was a woman who spent all her young life in Russia, and to whom the habit was second nature. A dainty and graceful creature in every way, she was unconsciously so in the manipulation of her cigarette, which she used freely in gesture. Her husband said that she was a most extravagant smoker - she wasted so much in waving her cigarettes about. Economy and the graces do not always walk hand in hand.

That we shall Hard Times. have a Season in London no one doubts. That it has been undermined by the miners, we all know. It can at best be short, and, until the great industrial dispute is settled, it can only be makeshift. If we were a nation of "tyrant capitalists," things would be otherwise. People would dine and wine, lunch and sup as in old days, dance, have Courts, and enjoy themselves in all the ways attainable by their wealth. They do not do so, and our visitors from America, North and South, and from other countries will be somewhat disappointed with English hospitality. This will be because right-minded, generous British capitalists, already taxed to the utmost, will economise more in order to help those honest workers thrown out of employment through no fault of their own. For the miners sympathy would be superfluous; there are the mines waiting to be worked, on terms as advantageous as are possible in these hard times.



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#### CITY NOTES.

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#### THE AMERICAN POSITION.

HE United States export figures for March showed a total of only \$384.000,000, which was \$105,000,000 less than the amount tor February, and very little more than half the December total, In spite of this decline, gold continues to pour into America, and we read of shipments being hurriedly diverted to Philadelphia in order to be the more quickly assayed: \$106,000,000 of gold was received during March, and this possibly explains the firmness of sterling, which has been a matter of comment in view of the labour position in this country.

Since goods cannot, apparently, find a market abroad, many Americans are looking to a high protective tariff to guard for them their only remain-

ing market—namely, their home one.

A more short-sighted point of view can hardly be imagined. A: we have pointed out before, America is now not only a producing nation, but also a creditor nation—a position which is not nearly so decirable as it seems.

If Europe is to purchase America's staple products, such as cetton and grain, and pay the interest on debt, some methods of payment must be found: the stream of gold will eventually dry up, and after that nothing remains but goods. If the protective policy is persisted in Europe will eventually cease to buy American products—even if it necessitates a diminution of the population which she can support-and will be unable to redeem her obligations.

#### MENICAN EAGLES.

The reports from Mexico continue to be conflicting, but on balance the latest news is undoubtedly reassuring, and we see no reason to alter our previously expressed opinion that shareholders should treat adverse rumours with the greatest caution. We have little doubt that many people would like to see the price of the shares depressed so that they could get in.

No signs of salt water are now reported either north or south of Naranjos; to the north, the old wells continue to produce a satisfactory yield, and to the south, a new well has recently been brought in with a production of some 60,000 barrels a day. The total production of the Mexican Eagle Company's wells, including Tacamixtle, is now greater than ever before.

Most of the adverse opinions emanate from America, and we are inclined to ascribe them, not only to market operators, but also to political ends. The possibility of the exhaustion of the oil-fields in the American continent is a useful lever for engaging public support over there in efforts to secure a footing in the East and elsewhere, and helps to substantiate claims abroad.

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Supposing that you can't pay for them?" The Broker queried.

'Then you shouldn't have them."
"Shouldn't have what?" inquired The Engineer. "Wives? Or children? Or holidays? Aren't we getting rather mixed up?

"If you have no money, you can't take wives and children for holidays,"
The Broker unravelled. "But I was down in Norfolk last week, and oh! it s rotten.

" What is r

"The Broads looked simply lovely. The sun shining like gold and silver on the water, the freshness-you know it-of the breeze over Wroxham, the fields a simply gorgeous green, a sail here and there. It was maddening to think of a bathe, of a decent-sized fish, of-

"Of tramping miles before breakfast to buy a ha porth of milk," went on The Jobber. "Of hard saloon seats to sleep on while you listen to the rats gnawing away the woodwork, and wonder whether there's another drop of blood left in you that the mosquitoes—

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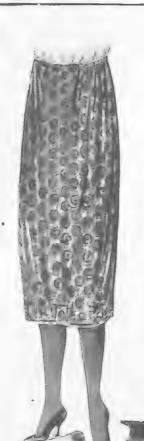
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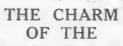


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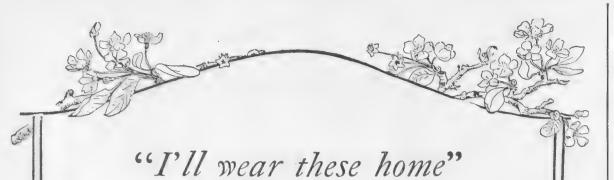
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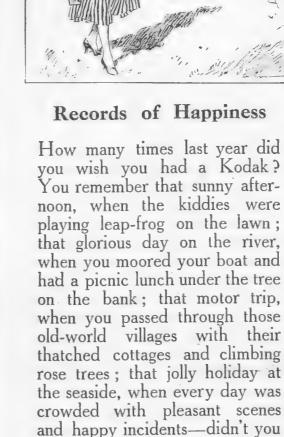
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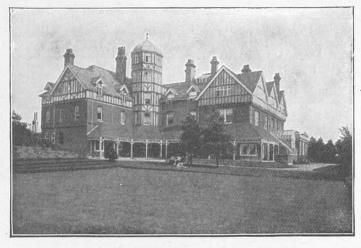


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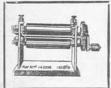
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